

## **HAWAII ANNOUNCES CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT II SPECIAL ELECTION ON JANUARY 4, 2003**

The State of Hawaii has scheduled a Special Election on January 4, 2003 in the U.S. House of Representative, Congressional District II to elect a successor to fill the vacant term.

All Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) citizens who are Hawaii residents from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District (Neighbor islands and rural Oahu) and who have not already done so this year, should register and request a ballot for the January 4, 2003 special vacancy election. Complete and submit a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) SF-76 as soon as possible and mail to the County Clerk in your county of voting residence as listed below:

Hawaii	25 Aupuni Street, Room 105, Hilo 96720-4245 Phone: 808-961-8277, Fax: 808-961-8673
Honolulu (rural area)	530 S. King Street, Room 100, Honolulu 96813-3077 Phone: 808-523-4293, Fax: 808-527-6888
Kauai	4396 Rice Street, Suite 106, Lihue 96766-1399 Phone: 808-241-6350, Fax: 808-808-241-6207
Maui	200 S. High Street, 7 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Wailuku 96793-2155 Phone: 808-270-7749, Fax: 808-270-7171

You may send the FPCA for registration and absentee ballot request by fax. After faxing, submit the FPCA by mail to the appropriate county election office. Hawaii accepts the online version of the FPCA found on the FVAP Website, [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov). It is imperative that all voters provide a return transmission fax number on all documents sent electronically.

The county clerk must receive your FPCA not later than December 28, 2002. Voted ballots must arrive at the local elections office by the close of polls on January 4.

**FACTSHEET**  
**UNIFORMED AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS**

The purpose of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) is to permit absent uniformed services and overseas citizens to use absentee procedures to vote by absentee ballot in primary, general, and special elections for Federal offices; and to permit these individuals to use a Federal write-in absentee ballot (FWAB) in the General Election for Federal offices.

Citizens residing overseas are those persons who reside anywhere except the states of the U.S., the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa.

An absent uniformed services citizen is:

- A member of a uniformed service on active duty who is absent from the place of residence where the member is otherwise qualified to vote;
- A member of the merchant marine who, by reason of service in the merchant marine, is absent from the place of residence where the member is otherwise qualified to vote; and
- A spouse or dependent of an active duty uniformed services citizen who is absent.

An overseas citizen means:

- An absent uniformed services citizen who, by reason of active duty or service is absent from the United States on the day of the election;
- A person who resides outside the United States and is qualified to vote in the last place in which the person was domiciled before leaving the United States;
- A person who resides outside the United States and is qualified to vote in the last place in which the person was domiciled before leaving the United States (includes residents temporarily overseas who remain qualified to vote in all federal, state and local elections); or
- A person who resides outside the U.S. and (but for such residency) would be qualified to vote in the last place in which the person was domiciled before leaving the U.S. (for federal offices only).

## **REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE VOTING**

Any unregistered person may register by mail. To register to vote, the applicant must mail a completed Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to his/her County Clerk not earlier than 60 days before the election, nor later than 30 days before an election. An absentee ballot may be requested at the same time.

### **Applying for and Voting by Absentee Ballot**

Currently registered persons may request an absentee ballot by mailing a completed FPCA to his/her County Clerk not earlier than 60 days before the election, nor later than seven (7) days before an election.

Absentee ballots are mailed 35 days before an election. The clerk must receive voted ballots by the close of polls on election day. For further information, contact:

Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)  
Toll-Free Ombudsman in the United States  
Phone: 1-800-438-VOTE (8683)  
Website Address: [www.fvap.ncr.gov](http://www.fvap.ncr.gov)  
E-mail: [vote@fvap.ncr.gov](mailto:vote@fvap.ncr.gov)

## HAWAII UNIT VOTING ASSISTANCE OFFICERS

The following are names and phone numbers of Unit Voting Assistance Officers you may contact for additional information:

Branch of Service	Voting Assistance Officer	Phone Number
<b>AIR FORCE</b> Hickam AFB	Major Kelvin B. O'Dell	449-1957
<b>ARMY</b> Schofield Barracks and Fort Shafter	Ms. Betty Stevenson	438-8678
<b>COAST GUARD</b>	Mr. Anthony Fikac	541-1507
<b>MARINE CORPS</b> Pacific Command, Camp Smith  Kaneohe Marine Corps Base	Capt. Laura M. Perrone	477-8365
	Mr. Joseph Thomas	257-8809
<b>NAVY</b> Navy Region Pearl Harbor  Mid Pacific	LCDR Randall G. Johnson	473-2755
	Lt. John McHenry or Ms. Cynthia Abernathy	473-1625

This Factsheet is intended for informational purposes only and should not be used as an authority on the Hawaii election law and deadlines. Requirements and/or deadlines may change pending changes in legislation. Consult the Hawaii Revised Statutes and other sources for more detailed and accurate requirements.

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Pearl City, Hawaii 96782  
Phone: 808-453-VOTE(8683)  
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